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New Order Concerning Contacts of Czechoslovak

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- 1. On 14 November 1946, a new order concerning contacts of Czechoslovak Army personnel with foreigners was issued by the General Staff and signed by General Indwik Sychoda, Minister for National Defense. The order definitely states that the G-2 Section must be advised beforehand of any visit which any member of the Army may have with a foreigner, and that the substance of the conversation must be reported immediately after the visit.
- 2. This order supercedes all similar ones previously issued and, unlike the older orders, leaves no doubt as to its authority. Many Czechoslovak officers have tended to regard previous instructions on this subject as a "passing fancy" of Colonel Hanus, and acted accordingly. The new restatement, over General Syoboda's signature, is expected to bring forth a definite reaction in officer circles.

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Comment: On or about 1 April, the Czechoslovak General Staff issued as order requesting all officers and enlisted men to report in advance to G-2 any dealings with foreign diplomatic or military personnel. Accidental meetings were also to be reported. A reliable source states that, since that time, Czechoslovak Army officers have shown considerable resentment about the order, which they regarded as a "further limitation of their personal freedom".

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